



# Market CORNER

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## Poultry

Tenders remain the hardest to get offering and are expected to be in short supply through the summer. Wing demand has exploded and availability is very tight. Jumbo and medium breasts have good availability. Availability of thigh and leg meat has also improved.



## Pork

Markets continue to soften on butts & spareribs have started to trend down. Bellies have leveled off and have started to fall aggressively. Trim held at strong levels; demand is strong. Loins are steady, demand is mixed, market has softened slightly. Ham is starting to rebound as Mexico was reporting elevated hog prices.



## Beef

Harvest is expected to be steady this week. Prime & CAB item availability is expected to shrink over the coming weeks and last through early Fall. Middle meats are mixed, with ribs firming up while loin prices depreciate. End cuts continue mostly steady. Grinds saw significant price cuts last week.



## Dairy

Shell egg markets are up, excluding Medium, and California eggs are up, excluding Medium. The Block market is down. Butter is also down; cream remains readily available.



## Grains / Oil

Speculative traders increased their position last week by more than 4,000 contracts, which is the main cause for the large increase in soybean oil futures. Market fundamentals seemed to have little to do with the move. Both Canola and palm oil moved higher.

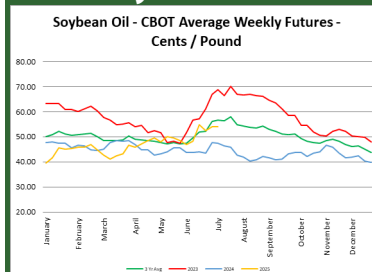


## Seafood

More quota cuts for groundfish in the Barents Sea will continue putting upward pressure on pricing for all groundfish species, even if that species isn't caught in the Barent's sea, due to raw material availability, globally. Tariffs suspended, once again, until August, as of the latest tariff news.

## Market HEADLINES

### Soy Bean Oil



### Beef

USDA had planned a phased re-opening of the southern ports as early as July 7; unfortunately, a newly reported NWS case in Beef has led to a pause in the planned port reopening till further notice.

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## Asparagus

Mexico production is decreasing especially larger sizing, expect possible sub sizing requests through this week. Peru supply is also less this week as transitional growing areas are in play. Market is higher and expected to increase. Quality is fair.

## Avocado

Mexico - Supplies quality and demand is good. The market is steady to decreasing. 32s/36s limited supplies. Prices are holding steady on larger fruit, while pricing on small and medium sizes continues to rise due to tighter availability. CA - Market steady with 32s/36s limited.

## Bell Peppers

East -supplies are tight on all colors, with demand strong and market steady to slightly higher. West-Demand exceeds for all peppers. Marginal quality coupled with high demand and eastern pressure. Greens are the most limited with yellows next and reds short as well.

## Broccoli

Market is down, supplies remain snug with some growers but should keep up with demand. Quality is good.

## Cauliflower

Market is mostly steady with good supplies into next week and is expected to keep up with the moderate to good demand. Quality is good.

## Cilantro/Parsley

Market on parsley is down with good supplies. Cilantro is mostly steady. Quality reported as good on both.

## Celery

Market is mainly steady with good supplies and steady demand. Quality is reported as good to very good.

## Grapes

All grapes in very good supply with great quality. Expect that to continue for the next month.

## Citrus

Lemons- Supplies are tight; quality is fair to good, demand is strong, and the market is increasing. Industry waiting on imports to arrive in large quantities. Smaller sizes are tightening up.

Oranges- Supplies steady, quality good, demand strong and the market is increasing. Regreening is causing some delays in run time, to accommodate gassing and creating some loading delays.

Limes - Supplies good, quality fair to good, demand good and the market is steady. Mexico continue to experience rainfall, over the next 10 days. As a result, a shift in fruit sizing, with the crop peaking on 175ct, 200ct, and 150ct sizes.

## Lettuce Iceberg

Market is lower as supplies begin to improve, and demand is moderate. Quality is reported as good.

## Lettuce Romaine

Market on romaine and hearts is softer as supplies continue to improve. Quality is fair to good for both.

## Onions

Yellow red and white markets are steady. The overall quality and availability are good. A few early suppliers are starting packing next week in Washington and Idaho with the rest starting one to two weeks later.

## Potatoes- Russets

The potato market has stabilized but 40-70ct are still in short supply. Smaller sizes are plentiful. Quality in some lots is starting to suffer with others remaining good. Prices are steady.

## Squash

East - Yellow squash supplies good, quality good, demand good and market is decreasing. Zucchini supplies plentiful, quality good, demand good, and the market is steady to slightly lower. West steady supplies, market and demand. Quality is excellent.

## Tomatoes

Out east, availability remains light on all varieties due to a delayed start in TN & VA. Florida, GA, and SC have wrapped up which has led to reduced availability. Out west, availability out of CA and Baja MX is good with improved quality.

## PRODUCE MARKET Updates

### Garlic

Domestic supplies from California are winding down and supplementing from Mexico is needed to fill in. Market is expected to be active until new crop is harvested.

### Cucumber Field

East - supplies are tight, quality fair to good, demand strong and the market is steady to slightly higher. West - Light supplies market slightly higher. Yellow extremely limited.

### Brussel Sprouts

The market continues to creep higher as heat has impacted yield and lower production numbers. Demand exceeds supplies likely for several more weeks. Quality is reported as fair to good.